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SUBJ: AD HOC COMMITTEE ON INT'L TERRORISM:

WEO CONSULTATIONS

1. TEN WESTERN EUROPEAN MEMBERS (INCLUDING US) OF AD HOC COMMITTEE ON INT'L TERRORISM HELD FIRST COLLECTIVE EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AT CANADIAN MISSION JULY 12 PRIOR TO OPENING OF 4-WEEK COMMITTEE SESSION JULY 16. DISCUSSIONS CENTERED AROUND PROCEDURAL QUESTIONS SUCH AS SELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AND ORGANIZATION OF COMMITTEE'S WORK.

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2. SEVERAL DELEGATES CONFIRMED THAT YUGOSLAVS, WHOSE

CANDIDACY HAD PREVIOUSLY BEEN RUMORED, HAD TAKEN THEMSELVES OUT OF CONSIDERATION. ALL WEO'S FAVORED ENCOURAGING TURKISH PERM REP OLCAY TO PRESENT HIS CANDIDACY AS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN AFTER LEARNING FROM TURKISH DELEGATE THAT OLCAY "MIGHT BE WILLING TO SERVE" SO LONG AS HE DOES NOT ENCOUNTER OPPOSITION FROM ARABS AND THEIR FRIENDS.

3. WEO'S ALSO AGREED THAT INITIAL PERIOD (A WEEK OR LESS) OF GENERAL DEBATE INEVITABLE. ALL WEO'S EXCEPT FRANCE EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR COMITE'S TAKING UP MEASURES AGAINST INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CONCLUSION OF GENERAL DEBATE AND FAVORED ADOPTION OF PROCEDURAL DEVICES WHICH WOULD PERMIT COMITE TO DEAL SIMULTANEOUSLY AND SEPARATELY WITH CAUSES AND MEASURES, POSSIBLY THROUGH ESTABLISHMENT OF TWO SUB-COMITES. FRENCH REP SAID SHE UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO URGE COMITE TO GIVE PRIORITY TO DEFINITION OF CONCEPT OF INT'L TERRORISM "EVEN BEFORE CAUSES ARE STUDIED." AT MISOFF'S REQUEST, FRENCH PROVIDED WEO'S IN CONFIDENCE WITH PROPOSED FRENCH DEFINITION OF TERRORISM WHICH WILL BE OFFERED TO COMITE. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH FRENCH TEXT NOT TOO DIFFERENT FROM SCOPE OF OUR DRAFT CONVENTION IDEA OF INSISTING ON DEFINITION OBVIOUSLY AND POSSIBLE DELIBERATELY UNHELPFUL. IT CAN ONLY LEAD COMITE DOWN THOROUGHLY UNPRODUCTIVE GARDEN PATH.

4. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF FRENCH TEXT: QUOTE ACTS OF ABHORRENT BARBARITY PERPETRATED ON THE TERRITORY OF A THIRD STATE BY A FOREIGNER ON A PERSON NOT HAVING THE NATIONALITY OF THE PERPETRATOR WITH THE AIM OF BRINGING PRESSURE IN A CONFLICT WHICH IS NOT STRICTLY DOMESTIC IN NATURE. END QUOTE.

5. CANADIAN COUNSELLOR, WANG, ADVISED MISOFF SUBSEQUENT TO MEETING THAT HE HAD TAKEN SOUNDINGS ON POSSIBLE TURKISH CHAIRMANSHIP WITH IRANIANS (NOW CHAIRING ASIAN GROUP), WHO EXPRESSED FULL SUPPORT, AND YUGOSLAVS, WHO WERE NON-COMMITTAL. YUGOSLAVS ADVISED WAG THAT NON-ALIGNED GROUP HAS NOT YET HAD CONSULTATIONS, MAY NOT MEET UNTIL MONDAY MORNING AND HAS NO CANDIDATE FOR CHAIRMAN IN MIND.
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